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TITLE OF INVENTION: EXPLOSION-ABSORBING PANELS AND WALL STRUCTURES

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## Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 513 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 513 day(s).

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## Notice of Allowability

Application No.	Applicant(s)			
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Examiner	Art Unit			
DAVID DUNN	3636			

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative

herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308. 1. This communication is responsive to BPAI decision of 9/27/2007 and amendment filed 9/11/2006, 2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-6 and 8. 3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). b) \( \subseteq \text{Some\*} \) c) \( \subseteq \text{None} \) of the: a)  $\square$  All 1. T Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

- 4. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
- CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
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Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).

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# Attachment(s)

1. | Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)

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- 2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08). Paper No./Mail Date
- 4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
- 5. Notice of Informal Patent Application
- Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date
- 7. X Examiner's Amendment/Comment
- 8. T Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
- Other .

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1. This is in response to the decision from the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences

mailed September 27, 2007.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or

additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR

1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the

payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 1, line 8, "a material" has been changed to --the material--;

In claim 1, line 10, a material" has been changed to --the material--.

Claims 1-6 and 8 are allowed.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to DAVID DUNN at

telephone number (571)272-6670.

/David Dunn/

Supervisory Patent Examiner, Art Unit 3636

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